JUDGE TERRIE E. ROBERTS

Judge Terrie E. Roberts is a 1991 graduate of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, and an Arizona State University alum. Judge Roberts was appointed to the San Diego County Superior Court on October 25, 2019 by Governor Gavin Newsom, and currently presides over a criminal calendar. Prior to her appointment as a judge, she served as a Superior Court Commissioner on behalf of the San Diego Superior Court since May of 2008, making history by becoming the first African American woman to be appointed as a Commissioner in San Diego County. Judge Roberts has presided over a variety of calendars in her time on the bench as a Commissioner and now as a judge, including, family support, misdemeanor and traffic arraignments, small claims, and eviction matters.

Prior to her appointment as a Commissioner, Judge Roberts served as a San Diego County Deputy District Attorney from 2001 to 2008, handling various felony and misdemeanor cases, including cases involving sexually violent predators and rape. Prior to joining the District Attorney's Office, she was a sole practitioner handling criminal defense and personal injury matters. Prior to opening her law practice, she worked as an associate for the Law Offices of Beatrice Kemp, and also worked as a Deputy Public Defender for the San Diego County Public Defender's Office from 1992 to 1995.

Judge Roberts is very active in her community and in teaching locally and statewide. In 2014, she was awarded President Barack Obama's Call to Service Award for her continuous service to the San Diego community. In 2008, she was the recipient of the San Diego County Bar Association's Outstanding Service by a Public Attorney Award and the recipient of the Community Service Award from the Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association in 1994. Since 2009, she has taught Bench Conduct and Demeanor for Temporary Judges on behalf of the San Diego County Superior Court, and has taught newly appointed judicial officers from across the state during the New Judges Orientation program held in San Francisco on behalf of the Judicial Council of California since 2015. Judge Roberts also serves as a faculty member for Qualifying Ethics (QE7), a course required for judges statewide. Judge Roberts also currently serves as an adjunct professor on behalf of ASU Law's MLS Program, where she teaches Criminal Procedure. Judge Roberts also volunteers at Ronald McDonald House, delivers meals through Meals on Wheels, and participates in a book club for incarcerated women.

Judge Roberts is married and has two amazing daughters, ages 20 and 19.